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Charles L. A. Terreni, Esq. Chief Clerk & Administrator Public Service Commission of South Carolina 101 Executive Center Drive Columbia, South Carolina 29210

Re:

Application for Approval of Electric Service Contract between South Carolina Electric & Gas

Company ("SCE&G") and Grant Allendale, Inc. ("Grant Allendale")

Docket No. 2006-186-E

Dear Mr. Terreni:

This is to acknowledge that the Office of Regulatory Staff ("ORS") has met with SCE&G representatives, reviewed the above referenced filing, and based upon the information provided ORS has no objections to the proposed electric service contract between SCE&G and Grant Allendale.

The contract was executed under SCE&G's economic development program. The Grant Allendale facility will be located in Allendale County, South Carolina and will manufacture engineered wood products. The Grant Allendale facility is expected to create 120 jobs from an investment of \$200 million. This facility could have a "ripple effect" on economic growth in this rural area, as well as the state of South Carolina.

If the Commission approves this request, ORS would recommend including a provision to require SCE&G to track any resulting foregone revenue and reserve the appropriate ratemaking treatment related to any foregone revenues for a future rate proceeding or review as determined by the Commission.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide our comments in this matter.

Sincerely yours.

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